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(b) whether there is any chance of the schemes being given effect to in the immediate future ; and

(c) whether there is any other branch in the Educational department from which the revised scale of pay is still withheld ; if not, whether there are any special reasons for delaying that of the school assistants alone ?

A.—(a) No ;

(b) The question does not arise ;

(c) No. The latter part of the question does not arise.

MR. K. PRABHAKARAN TAMPAN :—“ May I ask when effect was given to the scheme of giving the initial salary of the secondary assistants' cadre, with reference to clause (a) of the question ? ”

The hon. Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. PATRO :—“ The answer is given there, Sir.”

Recommendations of the Madras Education Committee.

445 Q.—MR. P. SIVA RAO : Will the hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state whether the recommendations of the Madras Education Committee have been considered by the Government and, if so, what action has been taken thereon ?

A.—The report of the Education Committee is under consideration.

MR. S. SATYAMURTI :—“ May I ask the hon. the Minister for Education to say approximately when he hopes to be in a position to pass orders on the Report of the Education Committee ? ”

The hon. Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. PATRO :—“ Orders were passed on the Report, but on account of the financial liabilities involved, they are now under the consideration of the Finance Department.”

MR. P. SIVA RAO :—“ When are final orders likely to be passed ? ”

The hon. Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. PATRO :—“ I am not able to say when they may be passed, Sir.”

Elementary Education.

446 Q.—MR. P. SIVA RAO : Will the hon. the Minister for Education be pleased to state whether he has formulated any scheme for the expansion of elementary education and, if so, whether it has received the sanction of the Government and when he proposes to bring it into effect ?

A.—The attention of the hon. Member is drawn to the answer to question No. 366.

Industries.

The slaughter of bovine cattle in the Presidency.

447 Q.—MR. S. R. Y. ANKINEDU PRASAD Bahadur : Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to furnish information as to the exact number (or, in the absence of exact number, a fairly accurate number) of bovine cattle classified according to their kinds that are annually slaughtered in this Province for food and hides ?